

Wilson Middle School

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Re: Letter of Support for Hannah Stonjeck

To whom it may concern,

I have had the pleasure of working with Hannah during her Professional Semester III practicum at Wilson Middle School throughout the fall of 2020. During her internship at Wilson, Hannah taught grade seven science to two different classrooms, as well as an option block. Hannah demonstrated a team-based approach through collaboration with her mentor teacher, dyad partner, and grade level team. Hannah consistently demonstrated proactive planning, organization, and preparation that allowed her the opportunity to create engaging lessons that were relevant to students' lives and interests. Hannah began her practicum experience at Wilson eager to get started and consistently demonstrated initiative to improve her teaching practice and her ability to work with a wide range of diverse learners.

Hannah succeeded in creating meaningful lessons that were exciting and engaging; she varied her instruction through demonstrations, projects, and hands-on activities which encouraged student participation and learning in meaningful ways. I observed Hannah's ability to create cross-curricular learning opportunities for her students through incorporation of technology and literacy within her lessons. Hannah demonstrated strong classroom management throughout her internship, responding to students in appropriate ways and establishing a classroom atmosphere where students felt welcomed and safe. Early on in her PSIII internship, Hannah set the goal of responding to the needs of individual students. Hannah consistently used strategies within her lessons that encouraged processing time for students and created opportunities for students to demonstrate their thinking and learning in multimodal ways. She also explored a variety of assessment methods in lessons that will continue to guide her future instruction to ensure she is meeting the needs of her students.

Hannah developed meaningful relationships with the students at Wilson and was an approachable educator and role model. Hannah was hard working and determined throughout the duration of her internship at Wilson. I am confident that Hannah has become a well-rounded educator capable of teaching a wide variety of subject areas. Overall, I am very pleased with Hannah's success and growth as a classroom teacher during her time at Wilson. Hannah displays dedication to the teaching profession, a willingness to learn, and a determination to improve the classroom experiences for all students in her classroom. I am confident Hannah has displayed the attributes of a lifelong learner in the education field and I wish her the best of luck in her future!

I would recommend Hannah as a candidate for a teaching position in your division. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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